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Movies on lawn provoke issues

By Tim Schrag KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Thought-provoking issues like peacemaking, exploitation of resources and global trade will be shown in the Movies on the Grass series near Hale Library on Sunday evenings this fall.

The fourth annual Movies on the Grass series began on Aug. 24 with "Hacking Democracy," a film that discusses whether computer voting is truly secure.

Students as well as the general public are invited to bring their lawn chairs and enjoy the films on the 26foot wide outdoor screen. Each evening begins with raffle prizes, music and refreshments, and ends with the film screening at 8 p.m. or sundown. For those who stick around after the film, moderated discussions will be held.

Donna Schenck-Hamlin, a librarian at Hale Library and contact for Movies on the Grass, said a committee of sponsors and campus and community groups selects the movies. She said they work hard to keep the movies current and thoughtprovoking.

The next film shown will be "I Know I'm Not Alone" on Sunday. Michael Franti, a singer and humanitarian, travels to the Middle East with his camera, and films the responses of the people affected by conflict.

Following that film on Sept. 14 will be "King Corn," a documentary about two college students who plant and raise one of America's most productive grains. It explores the way farming has changed from subsistence agriculture to big agri-

On Sept. 21 they will be showing "Darwin's Night-mare," a film about devastating effects on the economy and social structure of the former inhabitants of Lake Victoria, who have been affected by international fish trade. These films can all be categorized as explorations to deeper thought, Schenck-Hamlin said

She said the original purpose in starting this film series was to encourage discussion on the topics that the films raise.

"It reaches not only to the university community but beyond to citizens in the surrounding area and encourages dialogue."

In case of rain, Movies on the Grass will take place in Foerster Auditorium in 63 Seaton Hall. Trailers for the films can be viewed at www.k-state.edu/moviesonthegrass.

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Angelina Dabagyan

RUSSIAN CITIZEN AND SOPHOMORE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Close to home



Tamar Kvaratskhelia, senior in family studies, and Angelina Dabagyan, sophomore in political science, share a meal even though their home countries are at war with each other.

Best friends ignore home fighting, history

By Eric Davis

KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Former Russian and Georgian residents and close friends at K-State say war in their home countries does not affect their personal relationship

The conflict occurring between Georgia and Russia seems far away and affects few people in the United States, and for two K-State students who are natives of the these countries, it seems that is still true.

Angelina Dabagyan, a sophomore in political science, and Tamar Kvaratskhelia, a senior in family studies, are the best of

Both said they have talked about the effects of the war on their relationship, but each insists it has not caused any tension between them.

THE WAR IN GEORGIA

Around the beginning of August, the region between the Caspian and Black seas erupted with violence.

The conflict started when the armies from the nation of Georgia invaded South Ossetia in an attempt to reclaim land. Following Georgia's actions, Russia claimed Georgia was committing genocide against the residents of South Ossetia.

Steven Long, associate professor in the political science department, said the death toll in South Ossetia is in the hundreds – not the thousands – so Russia's label of "genocide" is inaccurate.

Long said the cause was most likely because of "domestic political incentives" on Russia's part and that Russian President Dmitry Medvedev might be trying to send a message to the rest of the world.

"Medvedev has a civilian background and may need to show he is tough enough to lead the country," Long said.

Vladimir Putin is no longer president of Russia, but is still closely involved with the running of the country, Long said.

"He has incentives to show that Russia is still a major player even though he isn't in control anymore," Long said.

Though the two nations are fighting, the relationship between the countries has been amicable in recent history. The conflict is a bit of a surprise as the two presidents were planning to meet in the Georgian capitol sometime soon.

"Having tensions is one thing, but escalating to full-scale war is quite another step,"

While this is not a declared war, Long explained that this conflict could best be described as a war.

"De facto, it is a war," Long said. "When you have armed troops crossing a border and taking control of territory and harming civilians, it is quite clearly an international

LOCAL CONNECTION

Because the United States doesn't have any significant interests in South Ossetia, Americans most likely will not feel the effects of war.

The real damage, Long said, will occur if Russia continues its foreign policy tactics and continues to invade neighboring coun-

Long also said the conflict can end if other world powers are willing to stand up

"I think the only possible resolution that will leave Georgia with its territory

intact will be for NATO to provide a very strong front on this," Long said. "Not necessarily military action."

Though the conflict continues to rage on the other side of the globe, Kvaratskhelia and Dabagyan said they remain friends while their countries fight.

"It's all government, it's all politics," said Kvaratskhelia, a Georgian native.

Dabagyan, a native of Russia, recently returned from visiting her home and said the effects of the conflict have reached her

"The South Ossetian immigrants that were displaced are in my hometown," Dabagyan said.

Whether or not the conflict escalates further, the women will remain friends.

"The situation doesn't affect us at all," Dabagvan said. "We think it's politics, not people. Nobody wants to have war."



A map describes where the countries Russia and Georgia are located.

Retired university professor, leader of career education field dies

By Joel Aschbrenner KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A former University Distinguished Professor died last week Kenneth Hoyt died of

natural causes in Urbandale, Iowa. Hoyt was 84 and is survived by his wife and three children. Hoyt was the College

of Education's only University Distinguished Professor while at K-State. The title of University Distinguished Professor is given only to a select few professors and was awarded to Hoyt when he arrived at K-State in 1984.

WORK IN CAREER EDU-CATION

Hoyt spent most of his 20 years at the university researching and writing

about career education. "He came to us with an international reputation as the father of career education," said Michael Holen, dean of the College of Edu-

Career education is the discipline of educating students for a career rather than focusing solely on academic curriculum, Holen said. The fundamental notion of career education is linking education and work together instead

"That was his area, and that is what he was focused on," said Professor

separate entities.

of thinking of them as two

of Special Education and Counseling Ken Hughey. "He was very knowledgeable about the field and very, very professional."

Through his work with the field of career education, Hoyt was able to secure a \$3.3 million grant in 1992 for a project called Counseling for High Skills. The grant promoted the as-

sessment of career education capabilities of community colleges and universities across the county, Holen said.

"It was something that he was very, very focused on," said Hughey, who worked with Hoyt managing the grant for six years.

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THE REAL DEAL

Read the breakdown from Saturday night's game against Montana State. You might already know the score but read the Collegian coverage for quotes from coaches, players and fans.

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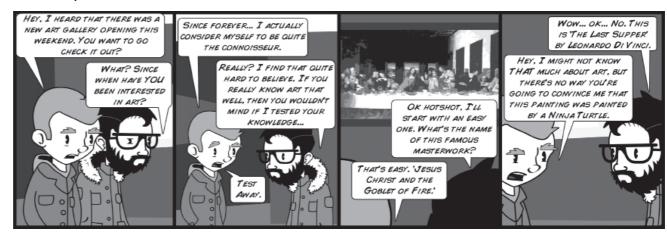
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that includes 20th Century Fox and the Fox television stations. MySpace has more than 40 billion page views a month. Google paid \$900 million to be MySpace's search provider.

Google, the Internet search company founded in September 1998 by Larry Page & Sergey Brin, got its name from the word "Googol," which represents number 1 followed by 100 zeros after it.





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Melinda D. Daniels, assistant professor of geography, will give the geography colloquium "Perceptions of Wood in River Landscapes: Implications for Geomorphology, Ecology and Future Research in Fluvial Systems" from 3-4 p.m. today in Seaton 132. This event is open to the public.

The College of Human Ecology "Grill N Chill" will be Monday from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Justin Hall-Hoffman Lounge and Patio. As part of K-State Wildcat Welcome Back Week, "Grill N Chill" is a great way to meet students, faculty and staff. Learn about student-interest groups and programs of study, and enjoy hot dogs, chips, drinks and giveaways. For more information, contact Madaí Rivera at 785-532-5500 or mri5555@

Intramural entries for punt/pass/kick, ultimate and men's and women's 4-on-4 sand volleyball will be accepted Monday-Thursday in the administrative office at the Peters Recreation Complex. The entry deadline is 5 p.m. on Thursday. For more information, call 785-532-6980

The Peters Recreation Complex seeks soccer officials. Starting pay is \$7.50. The training clinic will be at 5 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday. To qualify, attend all sessions at the Rec complex. For more information, contact Armando Espinoza at 785-532-

The WildKAT Chase, which is a 5K run/walk through campus will be at 9 a.m. on Sept. 28. The cost to enter is \$15 and due by Sept. 12, which guarantees a T-shirt. Late registration can be done the day of the race from 8 to 8:45 a.m. All proceeds benefit CASA of Riley County. To register, contact Marissa at mdorau@ksu.edu.

THE BLOTTER

ARRESTS IN RILEY COUNTY

WEDNESDAY

Bobbi Dawn Chunn, 6619 Tuttle Creek Blvd., was arrested at 9:05 a.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$500. Christopher Cody Hulsey, Fort Riley, was arrested at 2:45 p.m. for probation violation. Bond was set at \$1,000.

Tiffany Michelle Edwards, Junction City, was arrested at 6 p.m. for failure

Calif., was arrested at 7:30 p.m. for duty vehicle or other property and false information or report concerning accident. Bond was set at \$1,500.

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Court, was arrested at 1:34 a.m. for unlawful acts relating to possession of opiates, opium, narcotic drugs or designated stimulants; driving with a canceled or suspended license; and driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$3,000.

Cassie Lynn Burgess, 523 Moro St., Apt. 3, was arrested at 2:30 a.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750

Grant Theodore Zoller, 1854 Claflin Road, was arrested at 2:50 a.m. for theft and obstruction of the legal process. Bond was set at \$750. Andrea Gayle Romero, 1524 Oxford

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Activist collects spare change donations in Asia relief project



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Christiane Leitinger, the director of Pennies for Peace, discussed Greg Mortenson's efforts to build schools in Asia in her lecture Thursday night in the Union Ballroom.

By Sarah Rajewski KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

One penny, though seemingly worthless in the U.S., can be the price of someone's future.

In Asia, a penny can buy a pencil – the foundation of an education and a hope for change, said Christiane Leitinger, the director of Pennies for Peace, in her lecture Thursday night in the Union Ballroom.

The lecture, which was sponsored by the University Honors Program, was a detailed description of Greg Mortenson's journey to build schools throughout Asia, eventually leading to the founding of the Central Asia

Pennies for Peace is an organization that brings cultural awareness to school children across America, and even overseas, as they raise money for the CAI. Leitinger, who has known Mortenson for 12 years, was drawn to his purpose from the start.

"I just had a gut reaction," Leitinger said. "For me, it was a connection of 'Wow, it is amazing what this person can do, and I have to help

With the publicity of the release of the book "Three Cups of Tea," detailing Mortenson's story, he offered Leitinger the chance to direct Pennies for Peace, and

she quickly accepted.

Stephen Kiefer, director of the University Honors Program, brought Leitinger to campus as a supplement to a summer assignment of the honors freshmen stu-

"I read the book last summer, and I was very moved by the book and impressed by Greg Mortenson and the Central Asia Institute," Kief-

Leitinger began the lecture by telling Mortenson's story, much of which is detailed in "Three Cups," which has been a New York Times

Mortenson grew up in Africa because his parents were Lutheran missionaries. After time in the Army and then in college earning his nursing degree, Mortenson became an avid climber.

After attempting to climb K2, a treacherous mountain in the Karakoram Range in Pakistan, Mortenson got lost on his way home and wandered into the poverty-ridden village of Korphe, where the people took him under their wing.

'He was remarkably surprised because this was the poorest place he'd ever seen and he grew up in Africa," Leitinger said. "These people were giving him the best of what they had."

One day, Mortenson

wandered out to where the children were having school. There he discovered 76 children writing in the dirt. There was no teacher, as the village could not afford one every day.

Mortenson was shocked by the children's focus and determination.

"They understand that education is a path to a brighter future," Leitinger said.

Mortenson then began his life's mission of building schools, now totaling 75.

"We'll open a school with whatever we can, with whatever we have available to us," Leitinger said.

Mortenson focuses especially on the education of girls, in hopes that when these girls become women, they will pass on this knowledge to their children, who the Taliban often target. Leitinger said women could be the cause for stability in society

"They understand that the power of a pen is much stronger than the power of the bomb," Leitinger said.

The example of Mortenson serves as a positive influence to students

"The greatest lesson I learned from the book was how great the power one individual can have," Blake Leonard, freshman in kinesiology, said. "The impact Greg Mortenson had on this

area of Pakistan could truly change the world."

"Greg Mortenson's effort in the Middle East is beyond commendable," said Kyla Krissek, freshman in veterinary medicine. "Seeing the photos and hearing Christiane talk about different events made the experience so much more personal. These children - although a world away - only desire an

Leitinger said the individual students can donate to the organization. However, what several colleges have done is start their own Pennies for Peace fundraisers. This idea could be brought to the K-State campus, which intrigued students at the lec-

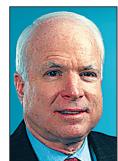
Various colleges have held lecture series by people with ties to various countries where Mortenson is building schools. Often, attendees contribute to Pennies for Peace by filling jars with

In the end, Leitinger said, money is not the driving factor of the organization.

The most important part of Pennies for Peace is cultural education," Leitinger said. "It's not about how much you raise, but how much you learn."

> —For more information visit, www.threecupsoftea.com.

Local Republicans show little public support for McCain's speech



MCCAIN

PALIN

By Amelia Wiederaenders KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

In a traditionally red state, it would be expected that there would be more of a gathering for the Republican nominee than for the Democratic candidate.

However, Republican Presidential Candidate John McCain's acceptance speech Thursday night was not met with as much fanfare as Barack Obama's was.

Last week Barack Obama made his acceptance speech at the Democratic National Convention with much approval from the crowd at Kite's Bar and Grill during a watch party there.

Instead of a public party, a small group of College Republicans members met at the home of Dee McKee, a Kansas state representative candidate, to watch the televised event.

There has not been a large McCain following on K-State's campus or in Man-

"I know I've had problems in the past about some of his economic policies," said Doug Shane, vice president of College Republicans.

But one thing he said he was sure about was McCain's skill as a politician. "The thing about McCain is he's very good at being a politician," said Shane,

sophomore in animal sciences and indus-Shane said he agreed with McCain's choice of Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin for his "It was smart to pick a woman," he

Joe Aistrup, professor of political science, agreed that McCain made a smart political move by choosing Palin.

"She shakes things up," said Joe Aistrup, associate professor of political science and head of the political science department. "She unites the Republican base that tends to be more conservative than McCain. Last but not least, she's an impressive speaker."

The convention was in St. Paul, Minn., at the Xcel Energy Center. There were many protests surrounding the convention, and McCain's acceptance speech often was interrupted by protesters.

But McCain's speech focused on "I hate war. It's terrible beyond imagi-

nation," McCain said in his acceptance speech. "I'm running for president to keep the country I love safe and prevent other families from risking their loved ones in war as my family has.

"I will draw on all my experience with

the world and its leaders, and all the tools at our disposal - diplomatic, economic, military and the power of our ideals - to build the foundations for a stable and enduring peace."

McCain served in the Vietnam war and was a prisoner of war, kept in solitary confinement for two years. After serving three decades in both the U.S. Congress and the Senate, he is known as a Maverick for his disagreements with his party on several key issues.





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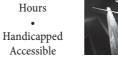
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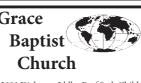
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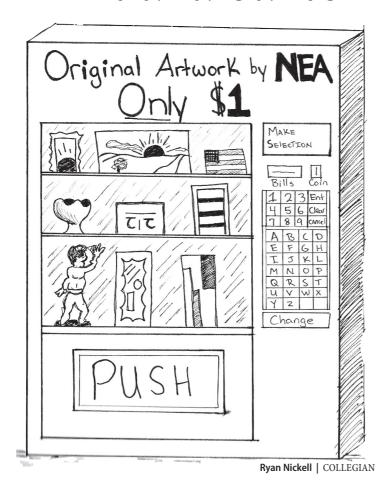
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KANSAS STATE **COLLEGIAN**

Art a la carte



Public funding translates to lower quality



FRANK MALE

Art always has been a highly subjective topic, fully embodying the saying, "One man's trash is another man's treasure." It is rare to have a general consensus as to what is "good art." But when a gem comes along, it can leave viewers awestruck for centuries.

Da Vinci's "Mona Lisa" still draws crowds, along with Michaelangelo's frescoes in the Sistine Chapel and Handel's "Hallelujah chorus." Some art is truly timeless.

is truly timeless.
On the other hand, there is art that defies convention and good taste, like "Piss Christ" by Andres Serrano, a picture of a crucifix in a glass of urine. In fact, the picture ignited a great controversy because it was supported by the National Endowment for the

Public financing for art is certainly scandalous, but for another reason. The question is not "Why finance controversial art?" Rather, it is about why we use public funds to finance any art.

Art depends greatly on personal preference and is hurt by government subsidies, so public funding should be removed for art.

Tastes differ greatly from person to person, and while I believe that Cross Canadian Ragweed is the greatest band on the planet and Justin Timberlake is junk, others might

not be of the same opinion.

It is quite difficult to come to a general consensus about any piece of art, and it would be difficult for the government to seek out only universally popular art to subsidize.

The government should not attempt to take that role. According to the Louvre Web site, "The Mona Lisa" was commissioned by a wealthy merchant. Richard Wagner's widely acclaimed works were supported by the private patronage of King Ludwig II of Bavaria, without whom he likely would have never fin-

ished several of his operas.

The free market offers great incentives for advancement in the arts. Renaissance art wasn't created by paupers for paupers.

Great artists were paid handsomely by wealthy people to create amazing art for their personal viewing pleasure – not to create culture for the citizenry. Whatever the motivations behind the commissions for paintings and sculptures, the art has enriched the entire public.

When the government comes in and subsidizes art, it does two things.

First, it artificially increases incentives for artists to produce past the level we would expect from the art market.

Second, it controls the direction that art takes. With free, unfettered markets in place, artists choose their art based on what people want. With subsidized markets, these artists begin to choose their art based on what the art critics working for the government want.

We get substandard art which is supported by the government, wasting taxpayer money. Also, some of the truly great art never gets to have a chance. Who knows what potential Mona Lisa's have been stifled in the 40 years that the NEA has been giving out grants?

The NEA has faced criticism before for supporting artists like Robert Clark Young. He is the author of "One of the Guys," a book centering on "a recovering alcoholic who is attempting to improve his destitute condition by impersonating a gay Methodist chaplain."

Though the merits of the book can be debated, the question of whether it should be publicly funded shouldn't need

Art is best served by the private sector. It has achieved glory in the past without the heavy hand of government intervening, and it promises to do that in perpetuity; as long as there are people willing to pay for art, there will be artists willing to create it.

Putting tax dollars into the equation doesn't increase the quality of art and inevitably leads to controversy.

With art's naturally subjective nature, the willingness of the market to promote art production, and the distortion of incentives introduced through government payouts for the arts, there is little reason for keeping the NEA.

"The Mona Lisa" was brought to you without the government's involvement.

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The Republicans have Chuck Norris. Obama doesn't stand a chance.

I'm having a secret party in my head right now because I'm not pregnant.

I was just watching "COPS," and this cop said that when you're on marijuana, you can't go cross-eyed.

Hey, Collegian, great job on your article on Jardine yesterday. It was really accurate, except that Jardine doesn't have a bar, or a grill or a fourstory library.

Hey, sorority chick, you're hot and all, but lay off the hairspray. I think I got lung cancer.

I just saw an eskiho. Isn't it a little early for that?

I just heard eskihos sleep standing up. Eskiho tipping, anyone?

Protection is perfection.

I really hate classes.

I'm baked ... like a cookie.

How could you do that on my birthday?

Is it slutty that the only reason I took a guy home last night is because he had a Burberry polo on?

Charlie bit me.

Is it bad that my girlfriend's mom is the bearded lady at the state fair?

Another year at K-State — and another year for K-State athletes to accomplish absolutely nothing.

One farmer can feed 128 K-State athletes that can't win a national championship. In anything.

To the kid in the back of natural

disasters, everyone around can hear you snoring.

Why would you retire Beasley's

jersey? He didn't even want to come to K-State.

Somebody stole Turtle. Where's Turtle? We need to find Turtle.



To read the full fourum, check out www. kstatecollegian.

TO THE POINT

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Best of the Fourum from the week past

Another week, another plethora of Fourum comments. The funny, the gross, the just plain mean; we see them all. These are a few of the more interesting ones from this week.

"Better watch out Fourum, K-State is on juicycampus.com."

"Watch out" is right. This is just what people with nothing better to do need – a new place to gossip about that girl that bumped into you at a party. Hooray, junior high.

"I can't understand my history teacher. So in stead, I draw epic battles between Abraham Lincoln and dinosaurs. Abraham Lincoln is winning."

Honest Abe probably can't help you on that history test after you zoned out for weeks. Give the dinosaur a break.

"Roses are red, violets are blue, another Wildcat victory, so North Texas, F you."

Please, don't jinx us. We still have real teams to play.

"Hey, Collegian, great job on your Jardine article yesterday. It was really accurate, except that Jardine doesn't have a bar, or a grill, or a four-story library."

Well, don't we feel silly. But hey, it was quoted to us. Wouldn't it be neat though?

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Online dating still seen as taboo in today's society



JOEL CAMPBELL

Tell your buddy you met your girlfriend at a Royals game, and he'll congratulate you.

Tell your buddy you met your girlfriend at a bar in Aggieville, and he'll say you've got game. Tell your buddy you

met your girlfriend on the Internet, and he'll just make fun of you. It's 2008, yet it is still taboo to meet one's bet-

taboo to meet one's better half online. The Internet is an amazing networking tool; however for the most part, it is still not acceptable in today's world to meet a companion online.

Why is the Internet

Why is the Internet such a looked-down upon networking tool? I met an ex-girlfriend at a basketball game, and it ended in disaster. I met another at a place where we worked together, and she ended up leaving me for one of my friends

Now, it wasn't all bad, but let's face it, even the broken clock gets to be right twice a day. So why is it OK to meet someone face to face and start a relationship, but not on the Internet?

According to Face-book.com, 100 million users have an account on the networking site. That could be the the perfect place to meet that special someone.

There are actually sites that are 100 percent dedicated to matching people up. *Match.com* and *eHarmony.com* have been matching random people

up for years. One might say that this is just lazy – cowardly even. However, how many marriages fail each year because the people just weren't meant for each other? It could be nice to see who you should be matched up with and be automatically introduced to one another.

This does, of course, take away the thrill of the "hunt," which I do always enjoy. However, one could eliminate all of those crash-and-burn first-date failures that I'm sure many go through by meeting someone online.

One would just have

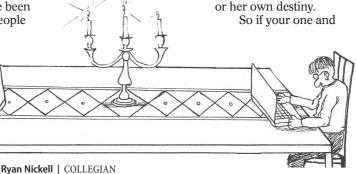
to weigh the pros and

cons of each. Would you rather be matched up with someone you're likely to be happy with, or go at it with the old guess-and-check method?

There are so many dif-

ferent ways with today's technology to network with people. The Internet can reach all the way around the world to people who otherwise would be unreachable. I've developed so many good relationships with people I would not have known if it wasn't for Facebook.

I'm not one to believe in fate or the old saying "if it's supposed to be, it will happen." God has no say in who we match up with; everyone is in control of his or her own destiny



only lives somewhere like
Ann Arbor, Mich., there is
virtually no way for you to
even meet that person if
it wasn't for the Internet.
The odds obviously are still
against an individual, even
with the Internet, but one
would have much better
chances using the Internet
as a tool to find that special someone.
Relationships now-

adays come and go faster than the water shooting out of your faucet. People go through companions like tissues during flu season. If a person is looking to meet new people, and by some strange chain of events, has access to the Internet, he or she should give it a try.

You won't find me on

You won't find me on it, though. Tonight I'm going out with a friend to celebrate her 21st birthday. Maybe the bars will have more luck than that basketball game did a few years back.

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ONCE IN A LIFETIME

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Two of a kind



COURTESY PHOT

Couple to share more than just a 1st name

By Jordan Sedlacek KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

We've been called every name in the book; The Jordans, J-Squared, Y2J.

You name it – I've heard it. But what should I have expected when I started dating someone who shared my name? Most girls say it's cute, most guys say it's weird and I say it works for us.

Jordan and I met a little more than two and a half years ago in a place many college lovers do — a party. Luckily, the years brought us to a bit more romantic place for our engagement earlier this summer. But first, some history on the Jordans

history on the Jordans.

Jordan and I hit it off pretty much from the beginning. We both enjoyed having a great time with great people, were completely indecisive when it came to picking restaurants and our ideal date was plopping on

the couch for a movie.

Though he loves NA-

SCAR, I've found myself loving that quirk and even occasionally join in by watching the sport that celebrates being an American and drinking beer. We understand each other and we respect each other's flaws, but most importantly, we love each other

After years of dating, Jordan decided to take the plunge on June 1. After asking my father for my hand, Jordan asked if I would be interested in taking our 12-week old golden retriever to City Park with him and I agreed.

As we searched for the perfect place to sit, Jordan – like most men about to pop the question – changed from a man I couldn't get to shut up to a guy I couldn't get to talk. Our puppy, who normally wanted nothing to do with us, wouldn't leave our side. Jordan kept asking him to run around, but that dog only wanted to park right by my side.

Finally, after some awkward conversation and many pleadings with the dog, Jordan picked up our puppy and left me alone on the blanket. After a while, Barrett, our puppy, ran toward me and something caught my eye.

Tied to Barrett's red collar was a shiny red ribbon with an even shinier diamond ring attached to it.

As I looked up, I saw Jordan, on one knee, asking the words I had only dreamt of hearing when I was a little girl: Will you marry me?

So here we are, two and half years under our belt and a lifetime ahead of us. I never dreamt I would be spending it with not only my best friend but also a man who shares my name.

Though our wedding invitations will probably have many do a double take, and I'm sure we are to hear a few giggles when we exchange vows, all I can say is thank gosh for middle initials.

Origins of wedding customs unveiled

Ever wonder why brides wear veils or why the best man is the best? Some wedding customs are so traditional that people don't even question them. Read on to find out their origins.

WHAT LIES BENEATH

Many think the tradition of wearing a veil came from when a groom threw a blanket over a woman's head as he kidnapped her and took her away.

and took her away.

Others think the purpose of the veil was — in an arranged marriage — to hide the bride's face until the ceremony was complete. They didn't want the groom to see her face and run away before it was official. Sad.

UNCERTAIN TERMS

The word "bride" is from Old English, and – sorry, ladies – it means "cook."

LET'S (WEDDING) PARTY

Also, bridesmaids and groomsmen once dressed in clothing identical to the bride and groom's to confuse evil spirits who want-

Burkdoll – Schutter

Kelli Ann Burkdoll, K-State graduate, received a Master's Degree in Communication Sciences and Disorders, and Patrick James Schutter K-State graduate in Construction Science and Management.

Kelli Ann is the daughter of Steve and Beverly Burkdoll, Melvern, Kan., and Patrick is the son of Phillip and Louise Schutter, Alma, Kan.

The couple was wed on April 19, 2008 in Manhattan, Kan.

ed to taunt the couple.

SEALED WITH A KISS

At one time in Rome, a kiss was what sealed the deal – it made the wedding legal and official. It might not have any legal bearing anymore, but it's one of the most talked about parts of the ceremony.

STAND BY YOUR MAN

The bride is always placed to the left of the groom so he could protect her with his left arm, leaving his right hand free to be used in battle if necessary. Sounds chivalrous enough to me.

LET'S TIE THE KNOT

In ancient Rome, the bride wore a girdle that was tied in many knots for the groom to untie after the ceremony. This was probably the most difficult gift to unwrap.

THE 'RING FINGER'

Greeks believed the third finger was connect-

ed to a love vein. The West adopted this ideology to choose where to place the ring.

SHE'S TRIPPIN'

As part of tradition, the bride entered the home through the front door before the groom did, but it was a sign of bad luck if she stumbled.

Eventually grooms began carrying their brides across the threshold to prevent this. All we know is it looks really romantic in movies.

CREATE A DIVERSION



In England, wedding goers believed the bride could pass along the good luck of snagging a man. Spectators used to tear away at the bride's attire to try to gain her good fortune. The bride might throw her bouquet into the crowd as a distraction.

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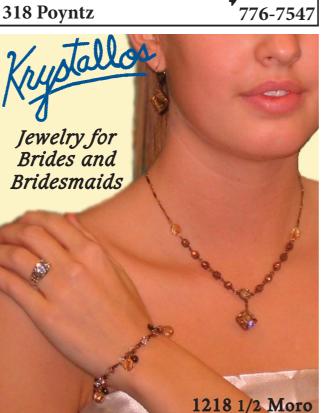


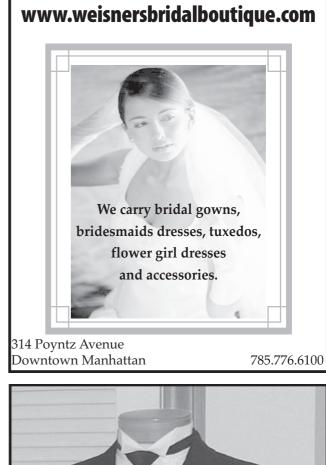


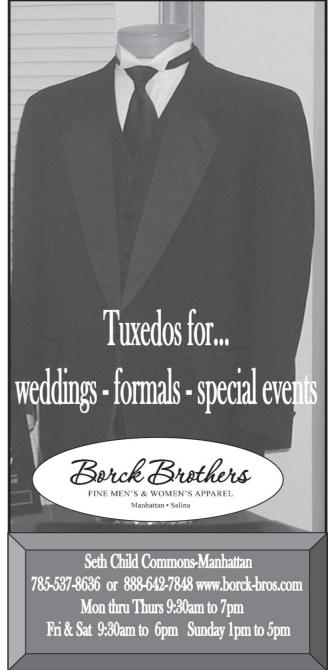


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KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The sounds of the game

Marching band leader, members discuss different perspectives from stands

By Justin Nutter KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

While many K-State students are still in bed or grilling hamburgers in the stadium parking lot, a certain group of their peers are practicing in the stadium or suiting up and preparing to take the field. It's not the football team, it's "The Pride of Wildcat Land," the K-State Marching Band.

"Game days are always very busy, and you've got to be on your A-game," said Dr. Frank Tracz, K-State director of bands. "There's a lot of stuff to pay attention to; things like the crowd, the team and what's going on down on the field."

Tracz, who is in his 16th year as a Wildcat, said he has witnessed significant changes in the football program during his tenure.

"Things are a lot more high-tech and more commercialized," he said. "That's not necessarily good or bad. It's just big-time football."

Tracz also said the in-game participation by the students has grown substantially.

"The students have developed some great traditions since I got here," he said. "I like seeing things like the first-down chant, the Wabash Cannonball and hearing them sing along to songs like the alma mater and Wild-

cat Victory." Amanda Jolly, the

band's head drum major and a former piccolo player, said game days for the band are much different than those of other students and require extra ef-

"The gameday experience for a band member is totally unique," said Jolly. "We're generally on the field six or seven hours before kickoff for rehearsals and section meetings."

During that time, the band has a full agenda, including a run-through of their pre-game and halftime performances, playing for the team in the parking lot as they enter the stadium, and meeting in the Bramlage Coliseum tunnel to prepare for pregame festivities. Usually, band members are the first to arrive at the stadium and some of the last to leave.

Jolly, a sixth-year member and senior in music education, said being in the marching band is a memorable experience and worth the extra work.

"You realize that you're a part of something incredibly special when you look up and see 15,000 students doing the Wabash Can-nonball," she said. "I'll never have this opportunity again, and I wouldn't trade it for anything."

Brian Long, a seventh-year band member and graduate student in business administration, has held several positions, including as-



Nathaniel LaRue | COLLEGIAN

Frank Tracz, K-State director of bands, directs the marching band at football games. In his 16 years at K-State, Tracz said he has seen several changes with both the teams and fans.

sistant piccolo section leader, assistant drum major and head drum major. He agreed with Jolly, saying the sense of accomplishment after the game makes the hard work and preparation worthwhile.

"I don't know what it's like to go to a football game and just sit and relax," said Long. "For band members, gameday is similar to what I imagine it's like for the athletes.

We have a goal to accomplish and we have worked hard to prepare for success."

Stationed in section

26, not far from the visiting team's bench, the band is often heard playing crowd favorites such as "The Wabash Cannonball," "The Band is Hot" and "The Hey Song" to energize fans before and during the game.

measures its success on

how well it energizes fans and represents K-State on a national

"A successful gameday for us is not determined by a win or a loss," he said. "A successful gameday for us is one in which we can perform to the best of our abilities, maintain excitement and energy in the stands and represent our university Long said the band with the pride and passion that it deserves."

Volleyball team posts win in 1st day of Nike Portland Invitational during pre-Big 12 play

senior outside hitter, spikes a ball in a match last year. The team travels to Portland this weekend to play in the Nike Portland Invitational, and plays it's home opener Monday





By Staff Report KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Coming off the heels of a 2-1 showing in the Mortar Board Premier, the K-State volleyball team earned a 3-1 win over California, Irvine in the Nike Portland (Ore.) Invitational.

K-State, ranked No. 20 in the American Volleyball Coaches Association poll, entered the tournament in pursuit of coach Suzie Fritz's 150th career win. Before the game, Fritz was just one victory from the milestone.

In addition, she is just 20 wins shy of becoming the winningest volleyball coach in school history.

The Wildcats began tournament play with Thursday evening showdown against the California, Irvine. K-State entered the match with an 0-1 mark against the Anteaters, with the only meeting coming in 1984.

Action will resume at 2 p.m. today when the Wildcats take on Arizona State, followed by a 9:30 p.m. match against tournament host Portland, a team that K-State holds a 1-1 alltime record against.

Today's matchup will be the first meeting between the Wildcats and Sun Devils.

The team will wrap up tournament play with a Saturday afternoon finale against the University of South Florida. The Wildcats also faced the Bulls in 2003 and the all-time series is tied at one.

The Wildcats entered the season ranked No. 14 in the AVCA preseason poll, but fell six spots after dropping a 1-3 decision to then-No. 25 Purdue in the final match of the Mortar Board Premier on Aug. 30.

No other team participating in the Portland Invitational received votes in this week's

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Merriewether earns scholarship

K-State head coach Frank Martin announced today that junior guard Chris Merriewether (Jacksonville, Fla./Arlington Country Day School) will receive a scholarship for the 2008-09 season after spending his first two years as a walk-on in the

This is something that



MERRIEWETHER

Chris deserves after spending the past two years as a walk-on," said Martin. "He came here and has really worked hard, even earning a couple of starts last season, to become a valuable member of our program."

Ă 6-foot-3, 210-pound guard from Jacksonville, Fla., Merriewether has averaged 0.4 points and

0.7 rebounds in 38 career games with three starts for the Wildcats. He saw action in 26 games as a sophomore in 2007-08, averaging 0.5 points, 0.7 rebounds and 0.7 assists in 8.7 minutes per game. He registered double-digit minutes nine times, including 20 or more minutes four times. He scored in eight games, including two Big 12 contests. He tied Clent Stewart for the team lead with nine charges drawn. With the addition of

Merriewether to the scholarship ranks, K-State will enter the 2008-09 seasonw with 12 scholarship players. The list also includes Connecticut transfer Curtis Kelly, who must sit out the upcoming season due to NCAA transfer rules.

Martin also announced the addition of three firstyear walk-ons to the program – Anthony Downing, Victor Ojeleye and Justin

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CROSS COUNTRY

Both cross country teams open season Saturday

K-State's men's and women's cross country teams will open the 2008 season in Augusta, Kan., at the 60th Annual J.K. Gold Classic on Saturday, Sept. 6. The competition is hosted by Wichita State and will be run at the R.A.F.T. Golf Course. The gun will go off for the women's 4K race at 9 a.m., followed by the men's 6K race at 9:45.

With the team's training being a little less than a month old, head coach Michael Smith's runners will look to use the Classic to get the feel of racing back after the long off-season. Both the men's and women's teams return nine runners with two letterwinners on each team.

'We will use this race primarily to get used to racing again," Smith said. "The competitions in the earlier part of the season are mainly for that reason. We really won't start measuring each individual runner until we work our way into the last three races of the season.

The women look to

deliver a strong and experienced team with the women's top four runners scheduled to run, as opposed to last year's meet where the top four runners were out due to injury. Sophomore Beverly Ramos and senior Liliani Mendez, the Wildcats' top runners from last year, did not compete in this meet last season but will look to finish on the podium this year coming off successful seasons in 2007. The women's third runner will be a competition between senior Emily Dittemore and freshman Emily Morris.

"I'm looking for Beverly (Ramos) to be successful," Smith said. "I think this race will just be a beginning for her and the success that she will have this season. I've been impressed with Emily (Morris). She continues to progress from this summer - she trained hard this past summer and as a freshman she has put herself in a position to where she will be ready to com-

pete on Saturday.'

The men, like the women's team, will have some runners that will not be ready for competition. Coach Smith feels that some young runners that have come in are not quite ready for the collegiate distance and they will use this race to stay home and train. Senior Colin Swaney, who came on strong at the end of last season, will not compete but should be ready for the next meet in Nebraska.

With the absence of Swaney, the men's team will be looking for someone to step up to fill out the team. K-State will send seniors Alex Umberger and Danny Schneider to lead the pack in the meet Saturday, with freshman Kevin Edwards and sophomore Taylor Coate rounding out the top four. Umberger finished third in the meet last year and was the Wildcats' top runner in all of the events for 2007, including a 43rd place finish at the Big 12 Championships.

— K-State Sports Information

Wildcats should take **Bobcats** seriously



JELLISON

Before Dan Hawkins was reminding parents and college football fans that this is "the Big 12, brother," he was opening his career as head coach at Colorado in 2006 against the little Montana State Bobcats.

As it turned out, these guys weren't so little. And just like Appalachian State did to Michigan, and the many other teams shocked by FCS, formerly Division I-AA, teams, the Buffaloes fell 19-10 and looked like a team needing to pick up the pieces and start over.

Though most of the teams recovered from the upset losses – Minnesota has seemingly never recovered from its loss to North Dakota State last October – it seems more and more obvious that these teams must be taken seriously.

Finding parts of the Bobcats to take seriously is a little like putting together a puzzle; except this puzzle has several big pieces in one area. One of those particularly large pieces to the puzzle is sophomore quarter-

back Cody Kempt. To take Kempt seriously, fans must first believe that most players who are good enough to play football at Oregon are good enough to play for top-25 teams. Kempt, a transfer from Oregon, was 7-of-13 for 60 yards in limited action as the Bobcats blew out Adams

Montana State fans were probably confused why Kempt had to battle Mark Iddins for the starting job, but both looked strong in the opener.

Passing might not even be the area to be scared of most, though. Running back Demetrius Crawford rushed 21 times for 103 yards. The Bobcats' other rusher, freshman C.J. Palmer, carried the ball for 77 yards and two touchdowns on seven car-

K-State knows what it's like to be challenged by a socalled "cupcake" team. Ron Prince's debut in 2006 was almost squandered by Illinois State, who the Wildcats struggled to beat 24-23. K-State had to stop a two-point conversion attempt in the final minutes as the Redbirds went for the win instead of going into overtime.

Prince wasn't surprised by what he saw from the smaller school in his debut, but he also played football at the school that went on to beat Michigan last year.

It hasn't been uncommon at all for K-State to struggle with some of the smaller schools. Here's a little history lesson: in the 2004 season the Wildcats beat Western Kentucky 27-13. In 2003 a then-No. 7 ranked K-State team struggled with Massachusetts early before breaking out to a 38-7 win.

It's only been recent history though, that has shown that FCS teams are catching up with the FBS, formerly Division I-A, schools. To find the last time K-State significantly struggled with a school of that level you have to go back to the 1991 season. The Wildcats opened the season with Indiana State and won just 26-25.

One result has been similar about those four seasons during which K-State struggled with small schools. Each has been a winning season, proving it doesn't matter how much you beat them by, just if you beat them.

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SPEAKER OF HOUSE APPOINTS 4 REPRESENTATIVES TO INSURANCE COMMITTEE

Kansas Speaker of the House Representatives Melvin Neufeld announced last week his appointments of four representatives to the 2008 Special Committee on Insurance, according to a recent press release.

Neufeld, R-Ingalls, appointed Reps. Anthony Brown, R-Eudora; Virgil Peck Jr., R-Tyro; Clark Shultz, R-Lindsborg; and Scott Schwab, R-Olathe; to represent the House on the committee. Shultz will serve as chairman.

"We have made important progress on improving access to quality health care, helping more Kansans get the insurance coverage they need, and lowering costs," Neufeld said in the release.

"But it is important the Kansas Legislature carry on its work reforming our state's health-care

According to the release, the ninemember committee will meet before the next session to review and study legislation about health insurance for small business owners, colon cancer screenings and the Medical Liability

The committee will submit a report of its recommendations concerning these issues to the 2009 Legislature.

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NEUFELD NAMES REPRESENTATIVE TO OFFENDER COUNCIL

Kansas Speaker of the House of Representatives Melvin Neufeld appointed Rep. Charlie Roth, R-Salina, to the Kansas Council Adult Offender for Interstate Supervision, according to a recent

Part of this council's purpose is to oversee and administer the state's participation in the Interstate Compact for Adult Offenders Supervision.

'The safety of all Kansans is a top priority in the Kansas Legislature," Neufeld said in the release.

"I am confident Rep. Roth will make sure Kansas continues to improve its ability to track offender movement and work with other

Rep. Roth said in the release that knowing where offenders are is a comfort to their victims and that he looks forward to working with other council members to track convicted offenders

According to the release, all

states; Washington, D.C.; Puerto and the Rico; Virgin Islands are members of this interstate compact.

PAT ROBERTS COMPLETES **ANNUAL 105-COUNTY TOUR OF KANSAS**

U.S. Sen. Pat Roberts, R-Kan., has announced the completion of his regular 105-county tour of Kansas, according to a recent press release.

Roberts has visited every county in the state and will make his final stop today in Hesston, Kan., which is in Harvey County.

"In the tradition of my predecessor, Congressman Keith Sebelius, I try to carry on the 105-county listening Roberts said in the release. "I have long said there is no substitute for personal contact.

"By going to every county, I have heard from Kansans from all walks of life about their questions and concerns with the federal

Roberts said it is important to discuss issues that affect the daily lives and finances of Kansans.

Roberts will run for his third term in the U.S. Senate in November.

Jacque Haag | COLLEGIAN

Job Corps students volunteer time, effort to better community

By Brad Dornes KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

They can be found at almost all community events. Usually they are found in the background and out of the limelight, but they are there.

Students from the Flint Hills Job Corps volunteer their time and energy at such community events as: Make a Difference Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Juneteenth.

Álesia Murray, a recent graduate of the Flint Hills Job Corps Center in facility maintenance, said she has traveled to other Kansas towns to volunteer.

"We've been to several places to help remodel buildings," she said. "Wherever they need us, we are willing to go help

Besides helping in other towns, the students at Flint Hills also help around K-State's campus.

Bachelor, Lynda coordinator for K-State Volunteer Center of Manhattan, said the volunteers have been instrumental in helping

events proceed smoothly.

"It was a natural connection between us and Flint Hills," Bachelor said. "They service the campus and community as a whole."

Tauna Spain, Business and Community Liaison for the Flint Hills Job Corps, said some students try to go out every week.

"Many of our students try to get involved whenever they can," Spain said, "whether it is beautification projects around town, helping out at the Emergency Shelter or even stuffing envelops."

Since the Job Corps is a residential program, Spain said it is important for her to get her students involved in the Manhattan Community.

"We have been here for 16 years and we love having our students getting out and helping the community," she said. "Some people don't really know a whole lot about the Job Corps and it really helps get our name out

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K-State receives \$1 million to research grain, E. coli

By Megan Deppner KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has given group of K-State led researchers. distinguished professor of microbiology E. coli 0157:H7 expert T.G. Nagaraja, nearly \$1 million in funding to study the connection between E. coli 0157:H7 in cattle and distillers' grains.

Nagaraja states that group's research generate a better understanding of the exact correlation between dietary distillers' grains and E. coli 0157:H7. The ultimate goal of the team's research will be to find the No. 1 factor that influences the organism in cattle.

The National Initiative in Food Safety grant, worth \$939,220, begins Sept. 1 of this year and will continue for three years. Nagaraja explained that the team, which includes K-State professors David Renter, Mike Sanderson and Dan Thomson, as well as doctoral student Megan Jacob, had already begun several studies during the summer.

coli 0157:H7 naturally occurs in 3 to 30 percent of the animals in the gastrointestinal tract, and does them no harm. However, the contaminated cattle's feces could spread to the meat and harm humans. The team aims to reduce this naturally occurring pathogen in cattle so that the meat purchased later will possess less of a threat to consumers.

Studies from 2005 and later show the distinct connection between cattle feed and the prevalence of E. coli 0157:H7.

The studies put half of a test group of cattle on a normal feedlot diet and the other half on a diet that contained normal feed and distillers' grain. After three to four months of sampling, there was a noticeable increase of E. coli in the cattle with the diet containing distillers' grains. It was these studies,

convinced him there was definite connection between the feed and E. coli.

the K-State research team discovers the exact connection between distillers' grains and E. coli, consumers will be able to eat meat with less of a risk of contracting E. coli. However, consumers can take measures to ensure they are protected

Thereisonemajoraspect of meat contamination that consumers can control, which is cooking the meat to a proper temperature before eating it.

Melvin Hunt, K-State animal professor in sciences and industry, correlation between meat contamination and the consumer.

Both Nagaraja and Hunt said slaughterhouses take precautions to keep contaminated meat from reaching Slaughterhouses have increased their careful checks and have improved at catching contaminated meat before it reaches the consumer.

In past generations, beef was considered "fully cooked" when it was brown, but K-State meat science researchers studied the validity of this in the mid-1980s and discovered brown meat does not always mean it

Nagaraja said, which has researched the direct is done. Researchers now recommend temperature should be the deciding factor for doneness.

> Cooked meat, especially beef, should reach an internal temperature of at least 165 degrees Fahrenheit. Consumers can easily check this with a meat thermometer. This end-point temperature will ensure harmful bacteria, such as E. coli, will be killed, and the meat will be safe to eat.

> Not all contaminated bacteria like E. coli, but researchers still suggest cooking meat to an internal temperature of at least 165 degrees Fahrenheit to



Local bicyclists and City Commissioners have been working to improve bicyclists safety though the 2008 Bicycle Master Plan. Officials said they hope the plan will decrease bicycle deaths and injuries because of traffic by 10 percent.

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Plan aims to improve local biking safety

By Amanda Moerlien

KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Chances are, while cruising around town, all drivers encounter bicyclists on the road. Drivers may even come across an accident where a bicyclist has been injured, or worse, killed. What residents might be surprised to discover is that 60 to 85 percent of these accidents are caused by the negligence of motor vehicle drivers, according to the Cyclist Defense Fund.

Ten years ago, Manhattan, along with Kansas State University, created and attempted to execute a City of Manhattan Bicycle Master Plan. With this plan in place, bicyclists in the Manhattan community were to have a better sense of safety on the road with the creation of designated streets

and biking areas.

The original plan took into account the current conditions for cyclists on the K-State campus and around Manhattan, user profiles route recommendations, according to the city Web site.

This blueprint was to give a solid start to improving the trek of bicyclists and set up a good foundation for improving bicycle facilities in the community.

Unfortunately, the Bicycle Master Plan in 1998 had its shortcomings, especially implementing it into our street system.

Recently, area bicyclists have been attending City Commission meetings, encouraging city officials to revamp the plans so that changes in our community could actually take affect. This act has led to the 2008 Bicycle Master Plan.

"I think the proposed plan

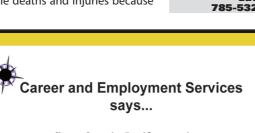
is great," said Chris Combs, a Manhattan area bicvclist. "When I ride my bike around town, I don't feel like motorists even notice me, especially around the school."

In order to make these plans a reality, the City had to first perform a Bicycle Safety Index. They took into account traffic speed and volume, street width, and parking, which led to a rating of all Manhattan streets. Currently, specific routes are being mappedout, with the help of ESRI's Network Analyst Software, a geographic information systems firm. There will also be a map available to cyclists of these special

After the plan is completely put into affect, many hope the injuries and deaths of cyclists because of traffic accidents will decrease by 10 percent.





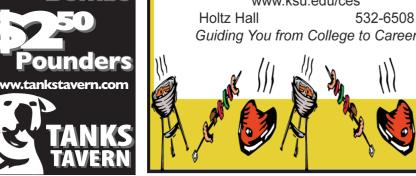


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Cat's Den (located on the Union

- first floor) -7 a.m.-10 p.m.
- -24-oz. soft drinks for 97.5 cents

Subway (located in the Union lower level)

- -2:30-5:30 p.m.
- -6-inch cold cut, meatball or veggie sandwich for \$1.97

ENTERTAINMENT

Bowling



- -2:30-5:30 p.m. -Union Recreation Center, located
- in the lower level
- -97.5 cents per game, per person -16-oz. fountain drinks and 12-oz. draws for 97.5 cents

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- -10:15 p.m.
- -Forum Hall, located on the Union ground floor

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—John Garetson, assistant manager for the Union Recreation Center

On their own terms



Kory Pedersen is a member of an artists collective which brings musicians to Manhattan to perform concerts in alternative venues. The venues include two Manhattan houses known as the Dug Out and the Ghost Parlor as well as local businesses, the Dusty Bookshelf and Edesias. Shows have included 5 to 40 people in the audience and feature performers from all over the United States, one from France and one from England.

Music enthusiasts create community, alternative concert venues in local houses

By Eric Davis KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Korey Pedersen and his friends didn't necessarily have a problem with the live music in Aggieville, they just wanted to see more shows in more places on their

'We wanted a more intimate environment to see shows," Pedersen, a Manhattan resident, said.

The busy concert atmosphere in bars led several people in the Manhattan area to create a group of like-minded music connoisseurs to create places in the community to participate in music on their own terms. They called their group "Little League."

The group books bands to play at venues around town, as well as several houses around the city of Manhattan.

Pedersen said the main focus from the

about the music. Often when bands are booked to play in bars, the music played is more difficult to listen to and people are less focused on the band or the music being played.

"All the 'Little League' shows are really, really mellow events," said Elijah Nelson, Manhattan resident. "People actually sit and listen to the music."

Nelson and Pedersen both described the shows they book as "quieter" than those at bars or other venues.

"A lot of times we don't need any amplification for the music," Nelson said. "We want to relax and be friends and watch bands we want to see in a setting

we want to see them in. Both Pedersen and Nelson were quick to deny rumors that the reason for the new venues was due to an altercation

start has been making the concerts more with any bar owners in Aggieville.

"A lot of the bands still play at the bars," Pedersen said.

Though there is no shortage of bands willing to play, the group still runs into

Pedersen said they like to keep the guest lists small and the dates for the shows spaced out because the activity the shows generate usually takes quite a toll on the host houses. But though most groups that introduce new venues into an area are trying to make money, that is not the case with "Little League."

We are all about creating a community," Pedersen said.

Pedersen also said while donations are accepted at the door, most of the money goes to the artists themselves. The only money held back goes to repairing any damage or wear on the houses.

"A lot of times we don't need any amplification for the music. We want to relax and be friends and watch bands we want to see in a setting we want to see them in."

> **Elijah Nelson** MANHATTAN RESIDENT

FREEDOM FROM FASHION FAUX PAS

Columnist: Developing personal style can be easy, fun

Were you that guy in eighth grade with the JNCO jeans with the 48-inch leg opening, or the girl who wore N'Sync concert T-shirts every day because you thought they were cool?

How many of you begged your parents to buy horribly clunky Doc Marten's for you in middle school?

I remember a time when my wardrobe consisted of seven different wind suits that matched a plethora of high-top tennis shoes and my bowl-cut hair, and sadly, I am not making this

The point is, when we start reminiscing about our younger years, there isn't one of us who isn't mortified about what we were wear-

Fortunately, we have the capacity to look back, laugh and learn from our mistakes. And with the new school year comes hordes of freshmen invading campus looking to reinvent themselves and straggling seniors nearing graduation and a career that might not include khaki cargo shorts and flip-flops in the dress

The following tips outline three basic ideas for developing your personal style that will last you through college and beyond.

SIZE MATTERS

No matter how classic or trendy the styles, if your clothes don't fit properly, you're going to look tacky and cheap.

Women: Forget about the number size you wear and look for how the clothes fit on your body. Just because you can squeeze your butt into those size-2 jeans doesn't mean they fit. Guys: Comfortable does not necessarily

mean baggy and over-sized. Look for pants that not only fit in the waist but also in the length and the rise, which refers to the length from the crotch to the waistband.

A LITTLE GOES A LONG WAY

Investing in a few classic and basic highquality wardrobe pieces to build on is a must. Perfectly fitting jeans, solid-color T-shirts and tanks, and neutral, classic-cut skirts and slacks are all great examples.

Remember, the higher the quality, the longer they will last and the more times you can wear them.

So, though the right pieces might be more expensive, they end up being more economical in the long run.

Go for wool or cashmere sweaters and Pima cotton stretch tees for durable luxury. For both men and women, try lined wool

or twill slacks in neutral colors with legs that drape straight down from the widest part of your thigh, because they are easily dressed up or down and are still very comfortable.

And men, stay away from front-pleated

ADDING PIECES OF FLAIR

No, I don't mean pieces of flair like Jennifer Aniston's character wore in the 1999 comedy "Office Space." I am talking about personal touches that give you complete ownership of

If this doesn't come naturally to you, just ask yourself, "What do I want people to think when they see me?"

If you want to reflect that you're a big music groupie, incorporate vintage-band tees with some chunky, off-the-wall accessories.

If you're going for that just-rolled-out-of-bed artsy look, have an old, Salvation Army blazer tailored to fit, tousle your hair, and throw on some dark jeans and a pair of Chuck Taylors.

More of the bohemian type? Load up on some intricate scarves, dangly earrings and detailed bangles.

The key is balancing your classic basics with just a few trendy pieces in each outfit. Looking to the stars doesn't hurt either.

Find a few celebrities who pull off the style you're going for and use what they wear as inspiration for your clothing choices.

Just remember that style is yours, so be creative and make sure you're comfortable in whatever you wear.

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K-State ranks high on campus squirrel-population list

By Sarah Rasmussen KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Scurry, eat, bury, repeat.

Life seems more simplistic for squirrels. Lucky for K-State students, we get to witness them on a daily basis because of the over-population on our campus.

According to gottshall.com/squirrels/ campsq.htm, a Web site that ranks most major college campuses across the U.S. and Canada on their squirrel population, K-State is one of only seven schools ranked as a five-out-of-five-squirrel school.

Universities with a five-squirrel ranking are said to have the best squirrel population on campus.

The ranks are based on the size, health and behaviors of the squirrel population.

Some of the other five-squirrel ranked schools are U.C. Berkeley, Mary Baldwin College in Virginia, the United States Naval Academy in Maryland, Susquehanna University in Pennsylvania, Lehigh University in Pennsylvania, Ursinus College in Pennsylvania and Rice University in

It is no secret that K-State squirrels are friendly toward students and faculty. They sometimes walk beside people on the sidewalks, use backpacks as launch pads when jumping from a tree or even run up to take a bite of sandwiches offered by students eating lunch.

Other Midwest schools were either not mentioned on the squirrel-population list,

or didn't rank as high in quality of squirrels as K-State did.

Emporia State University has a foursquirrel rank. The red common squirrel (fox squirrel) is the most popular for both K-State and Emporia State. Occasionally, a grey squirrel will make our universities their home, but grey squirrels tend to be more prominent in Missouri.

The squirrel-population list makes no mention of the University of Kansas, however the list was made by people sending in suggestions of a rank they would like for their respective schools.

As for other Midwest schools, the University of Colorado at Boulder, Wayne State College in Nebraska and the University of Iowa have a four-squirrel rat-

Kent State in Ohio, the University of Colorado at Denver and the University of Oklahoma all have a three-squirrel rat-

Colorado School of Mines is the only Midwest school on the list with an unfriendly, two-squirrel rating.

While most schools only acknowledge their squirrel populations, others embrace it. Wayne State has a squirrel incorporated into their logo for the student radio station and the slogan says "Where squirrels come to rock."

Mary Baldwin College's mascot is the squirrel, and it is one of the symbols used on their school crest.

In the end, our bushy-tailed friends



Squirrels are animals we get to witness on a daily basis because of the over-population on our

deserve a shout-out, and maybe a piece of pizza or some Coldstone Creamery ice cream from time to time. So be on the lookout as cooler weather approaches, because squirrels will be out in full force.



To see how K-State matches up against other college campuses' squirrel populations, check out http:// www.gottshall.com/squirrels/campsq.

Soldier suicide rate continues to increase, may surpass last year's record

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON - Soldier suicides this year could surpass the record rate of last year, Army officials said Thursday, urging military leaders at all levels to redouble prevention efforts for a force strained by two wars

As of the end of August, there were 62 confirmed suicides among active duty soldiers and Guard and Reserve troops called to active duty, officials said. Another 31 deaths appear to be suicides but are still being investigated.

If all are confirmed, that

2008 could eclipse the 115 of last year – and the rate per 100,000 could surpass that of the civilian population, Col. Eddie Stephens, deputy director of human resources policy, said at a Pentagon news conference.

"Army leaders are fully aware that repeated deployments have led to increased distress and anxiety for both soldiers and their families," Army Secretary Pete Geren

"The Army is committed to ensuring that all soldiers and their families receive the behavioral health care they need," he said in a statement distributed at the press conference on National Suicide Prevention Week starting Sunday.

"Installations and units across the Army have been directed to redouble their efforts in awareness and prevention training and soldier care and support services," Stephens said.

To try to stem the continually growing number of suicides, the Army already has been increasing the number of staff psychiatrists and other mental health staff as well as chaplains and bolstering programs both at home and at the battlefronts. Officials also are about to issue a new interactive video for troops and will be adding a new program on resilience to basic training starting in January, said Brig. Gen. Rhonda L. Cornum, an assistant Army surgeon general.

"There are no simple problems and there are no simple solutions," Cornum said. "There is no program that has been shown to be truly effective at preventing suicides ... Success will be the sum of a number of smaller steps?

As officials have said before, Cornum said the main factors in soldier suicides continue to be problems with their personal relationships, legal and financial issues, work problems and the repeated deployments and longer tour lengths prompted by an Afghan war entering its eighth year and an Iraq campaign in its

The Army has come under unprecedented stress as the main force in the two largely ground wars.

Of the confirmed deaths so far this year, three soldiers were in the Army Reserves and four in the Army National Guard

If the overall numbers continue through December as they have been, Stephens said, they would eclipse the 115 of 2007, 102 in 2006, 87 in 2005 and 67 in 2004.

The rate per 100,000 soldiers also has been rising and could be surpassed. It was 18.1 per 100,000 last vear - the highest since the Army started keeping record in 1980. That compared to a rate of 17.5 in 2006 and 9.8 in 2002 – the first full year after the start of the war in Afghanistan.

The rate for 2008 has not been calculated, officials said, but if the trend holds, it would surpass the demographically adjusted rate of 19.5 per 100,00 for the civilian population, Stephens



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Jonathan Knight | COLLEGIAN

Zach Dubas, senior in mechanical engineering, concentrates while trying to find his balance on the slack line South of Hale Library Wednesday afternoon.

MEMORIAL | Professor wrote definition of career education

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"The focus of a great majority of his career was working with students to help them develop skills for the workplace."

PIONEERING THE FIELD

Before Hoyt came to K-State, he was a professor at the University of Maryland and University of Iowa. He also worked for the U.S. Department of Ed-

"In the early 1970s, the U.S. Department of Education created a career education program that was intended to ensure that evschools had some understanding of the connection of schooling and the world of work," Holen said. "Dr. Hovt was considered the nation expert in that and directed the Office of Career Education for the U.S. office of education for many years."

Hoyt was also responsible for writing the definition of career education that the U.S. Department of Education still uses.

Pioneering the field of career education made Hoyt a national authority in the field of counseling as well. He served as the pres-

eryone who went through ident and a long-time executive board member of the American Personnel and Guidance Association, the nation's primary guidance association.

After Hoyt retired from K-State in 2003, he moved to Iowa to be closer to his family as his health was diminishing, Holen said.

Even after he retired, Hoyt continued to do some work in the field he helped to develop.

"He had continued to do some work since his retirement, but his health restricted his activities, and we were sorry to see him pass away," Holen said.

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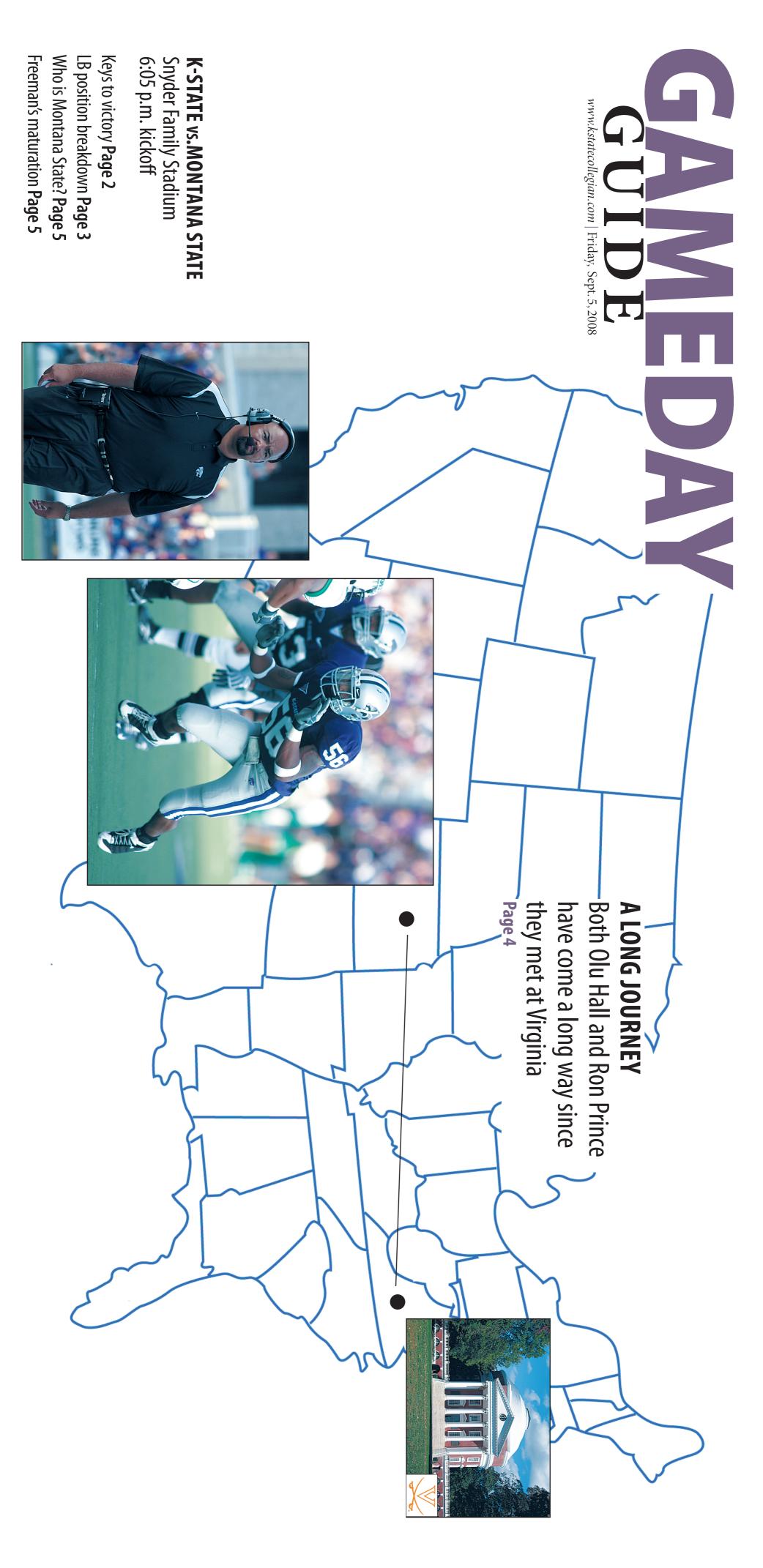


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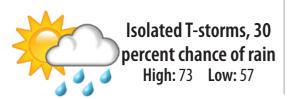
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Player to watch

Lamark Brown is a big, physical receiver with a lot of potential, but didn't perform well last season. Last week, he caught one touchdown, and if he can repeat his performance, it could lessen the loss of Jordy Nelson.



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KEYS TO VICTORY

1. APPLY PRESSURE

The K-State defense thrives on rushing the quarterback and forcing him into making mistakes. Though the Wildcats got two sacks in Week 1, several K-State players were concerned with the amount of consistent pressure the defensive line produced.

2. WRAP IT UP

Another issue the defense faced against North Texas was sloppy tackling. The Wildcats got away with it in Week 1, but now is not the time to develop bad habits. Poor tackling ushered in the defensive collapse of 2007.

3. GO BIG

Against the Mean Green, Keithen Valentine and Logan Dold failed to break a long run. Neither had a carry of more than 19 yards. Great running backs

have the ability to break tackles and outrun defenders. K-State's duo should be able to manage big plays against this competition.

4. SUPER SUBS

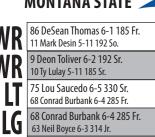
There was a significant drop off in play from K-State's first string to its second string last Saturday. The backups need to produce to allow the Wildcats to coast to an easy victory.

5. KEEP UP THE CONFIDENCE

The Wildcats have a very important game with Louisville on Sept. 17. An easy blowout would give them something positive on which to build. An uncomfortable win would raise questions during a critical point of the season.

— compiled by Jon Garten

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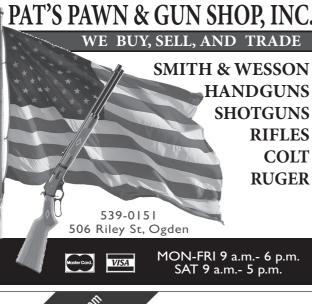




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By Mike DeVader KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

When coach Ron Prince promoted Tim Tibesar to defensive coordinator in 2007 and decided to change the defense to a 3-4 scheme, he did it for one reason - to get more speed on the field through the linebacker position.

With K-State linebackers like Reggie Walker and Antwon Moore swarming the field against Auburn last year, it looked like a preview of what was to come for the Wildcat defense the rest of the sea-

However, injuries to players like Moore and other circumstances prevented the linebackers from reaching their poten-

With the addition of a few new players this year, the linebackers appear ready to make a statement

"We can be a very, very good defensive group," Moore said. "We have

some experienced players and some junior-college guys who are fast and aggressive. If we play to our capability, then we can be wonderful."

junior-college One transfer expected to play a significant role on defense this year is Ulla Pomele, who made his Wildcat debut against North Texas. The Santa Rosa, Calif. native said he was excited to play his first game at Snyder Family Stadium.

"I was nervous, man. I was anxious, too," Pomele said. "That's all I talked about after the game with my family was how nerveracking it was. But I really enjoyed it."

Pomele acknowledged that the speed of the game was the biggest difference from junior college.

He said Walker has been the most helpful teammate during his transition.

"Ever since I came down here, being at the linebacker position, he's gone out of his way to help

me and the other linebackers out," Pomele said. "He's been such an encouragement because he's helping me understand the game of football. I really admire

Pomele added that the linebackers on the team are like a family. Olu Hall, a former linebacker for the University of Virginia who sat out all of last season due to NCAA transfer rules, finally took the field against the Mean Green on Saturday.

"There were a number of emotions, and I really didn't know how to take it," Hall said. "I developed a twitch from not knowing how to deal with all the emotions at the same

"I just wanted to go do my job and play assignment football. Hall and

Pomele, Moore accounted for 10 tackles against North Tex-

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After much strife, Hall finally finds place to call home at K-State

By Cole Manbeck

KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Olu Hall was one of the most sought after players in the country coming out of high school in 2003.

He was ranked the No. 1 player in the state of Virginia his senior year by numerous publications and was named to several high school All-America teams.

Letters from some of the top coaches in the country would come in the mail everyday. Hall spurned scholarship offers from perennial football powers Ohio State, Virginia Tech, and Miami (Fla.,) to play for the University of Virginia.

Things couldn't have been going better for the 6-foot-3, 230-pound defensive end.

But he ran into academic problems after his

OLU HALL



Outside Linebacker Year: Junior Last year:

Did not play. Sat out due to NCAA transfer rules.

Memorable achievement: Earned starting job after battling several issues at his previous college.

first year at Virginia, and soon after his life changed drastically.

While trying to get his grades back up so he could play the game he loved a tragedy occurred - one that would send Hall on a journey that eventually ended in Manhattan.

THE BEGINNING

He was born in Cleveland. At a young age, Hall and his four siblings moved to Fairfax, Va., with his mother

He started playing flag football at the age of eight, though he will attest that he wasn't very good. He

then turned to soccer, among other sports, but kept coming back to the sport he struggled at in his

He said he didn't become good at football until his freshman year in high school. He wanted to be a quarterback, but his older brother told him he was bound to be a defensive end. Hall abided.

"My older brother was my biggest influence when it came to playing football," Hall said.

His biggest influence off the field was and still is his mother, Bonnie Hall, who balanced taking college night classes while trying to raise a family of five on her own.

"There were times when we were young and she would take us all to class," Hall said. "We would sit out in the hall and wait while she was in class."

RISE TO STARDOM

Hall dominated the high school football ranks in the state of Virginia. He was a man amongst boys, displaying power and explosiveness off of the edge from his defensive end po-

He compiled 93 tackles and 11 sacks in his senior year, earning him a parade of honors.

Hall said he didn't feel any added pressure despite being one of the top defensive players in the

"The pressure for me was to get my SAT scores and get into school," he said. "I really didn't even know I was the No. 1 player in the state until one of my friends came up and told me one day. It was a blessing and it gave me the opportunity to get a free education."

HIS COLLEGE CHOICE

Hall attended prep school in 2004 at Hargrave Military Academy after graduating from high

When it was time to make a college choice, Hall elected to stay in-state and play for the University of Virginia.

"I really liked Ohio State and Purdue," Hall said. "But I took a visit to Virginia and they sold me."

His relationship with coach Ron Prince, who at the time was an assistant coach at Virginia, helped sway Hall to the Cava-

"Coach Prince came to talk to me and told me about the different aspects and everything," Hall said. "He wasn't my lead recruiter, but he would come down every now and then. He came to my house a couple of times on recruiting visits as well."

A TRAGIC TURN

Hall saw limited playing time in his first year at Virginia. He played in eight games, registering only one tackle in 94 plays.

Little did he know that on a night when his Cavaliers knocked off No. 4 ranked Florida State in 2005 – it would be the last time he saw the football field for more than two Hall decided to give up

football for a year in 2006 to focus on his academics. While he was doing so,

a tragedy occurred close to his heart.

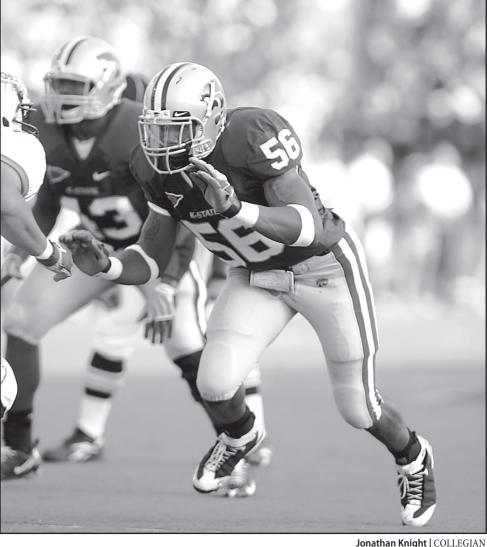
His mother drove to the Virginia campus to let Hall know what had happened. She didn't want him to find out from anyone else. His oldest brother, Jose,

had been killed. "It was devastating," Hall said. "I knew I had to be the man of the family and step up and be strong.

It was a tragic situation." This tragedy did not stop Hall's desire to get back on the field, howev-

"I busted my butt," he said. "I came back to school early to try and finish and get some of my grades up and it just didn't work out. It just set me back a little bit further too. But everything happens for a reason."

A NEW PLACE TO CALL HOME



Jonathan Knight | COLLEGIAN

Linebacker Olu Hall played his first game as a WIldcat last Saturday against North Texas. After falling back in his studies and losing his brother, Hall found a place to play at K-State last year.

He was back on the football field and getting repetitions with the Cavalier first-team defense. It appeared things were going well for Hall as he prepared to get back on the field after sitting out a

However, things took another twist when the NCAA ruled him ineligible prior to the 2007 season.

Hall's grades went up enough to be in good academic standing with Virginia, one of the top academic universities in America. However, the NCAA ruled his cumulative grade point average was not high enough to be eligible for the season.

He needed someone to turn to. The person he

to was a face of familiarity and comfort - one of his old coaches.

"I wanted to play football and coach Prince gave me the opportunity to come out here and said he could use me in the defense," he said. "So, I just packed up and came out

PRINCE ON HALL

Coach Ron Prince said he admires Hall.

"He comes over here, studies film, comes to practice, does his schoolwork and that's it," Prince said. "He understands why he's here and I think he feels like he wants to make up for lost time. I admire that about a kid."

Prince sees a noticeable change in his versatile linebacker.

"I think he's much more focused on exactly what he has to do because his time is ticking," Prince said. "He was a young man with a lot of promise, one of the top players in the state, with much acclaim, and he came to a place like Virginia with expectations for him to play early in his career."

Prince said that the ups and downs Hall has been through have had a positive affect.

"He had it all happen for him and all of a sudden had it taken away," he said. "I think that affects anybody when that happens. You see a seriousness about him or a focus

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Freeman is key to team's success



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Josh Freeman raised some eyebrows this summer when he pronounced himself the best quarterback in the Big 12, a conference loaded with talented quarterbacks.

His career 24 touchdowns and 26 interceptions left something to be desired.

However, 15 of those interceptions came in his freshman season, and who can fault him? He was a 19-year-old, wide-eyed quarterback starting in the Big 12, a rarity in itself.

Freeman was the victim of lofty expectations put on him by both the fans and the media. Fans expected great things from him immediately, a rather unreasonable goal.

At times he was spectacular – the games at Colorado and Texas at home in 2006 ring a bell – when Freeman earned Big 12

Player of the Week honors in consecutive weeks. At other times, he was dreadful. He turned the ball over six times at Kansas, where the game appeared to be too fast for him, and perhaps, overwhelming.

The physical tools have always been there – he's a scout's dream. Standing at 6-foot-6, 245-pounds, Freeman has the prototypical size NFL teams love.

He had yet to put the whole package together, though. Sure, Wildcat coaches and fans alike had seen signs of the potential, but there was a lack of consistency that is not surprising for a young quarterback.

But there was something different about Freeman on Saturday night against North Texas. He had a certain poise and maturity level about him. The game appears to have slowed down for him.

He displayed great pocketpresence. When his offensive line blew a protection assignment, Freeman sensed it and got rid of the ball. He covered up for teammates'

He was efficient, something new quarterback coach Warren Ruggiero preaches. Freeman ranked 68th in passing efficiency last year, but he was the best in the Big 12 Conference in that category after last weekend.

His performance came against a North Texas team that lost 10 games in 2007 and whose defense ranked 113th in the country last year, but Freeman appears ready for a big junior campaign. He set the single-season school passing record last year with 3,353 yards passing while completing 63.3 percent of his passes. He threw for 18 touchdowns and only 11 interceptions, a significant improvement from his freshman season.

Freeman is no longer young. He's a veteran, and now Prince is confident that his quarterback can win a game for him when asked.

If it wasn't before, it is now – this is Freeman's team.

He has the capability to put this year's team on his back. If he does just that, K-State might have the best quarterback in the Big 12 after all.

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Former player now MSU coach

By Mike DeVaderKANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Fresh off a 59-3 romp of Adams State last week, the Montana State Bobcats will try to dethrone K-State at 6:05 p.m. on Saturday at Snyder Family Stadium.

If Wildcat fans look close enough to the coaches on the Bobcats sideline, they will notice a familiar face. Former K-State quarterback Jonathan Beasley, who played from 1996-2000 for the Wildcats, is now the wide receivers coach for Montana State.

The Bobcats (1-0) are coming off their largest margin of victory in a season-opening game in school history. They will look to build off a three-touchdown effort from senior wide receiver Brandon Bostick, whom coach Ron Prince said is just one of his concerns heading into Saturday's game.

Sophomore starting quarterback Cody Kempt

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played in a few games for Oregon as a redshirt freshman, and Prince said he is mentored by a proven Division I coach.

"I coached I-AA football for a good period of time, and anytime we had a Division I transfer as quarterback, we always felt that we had a significant advantage," Prince said. "They have somebody that is coaching him that coached in the Pac-10 and has been very successful at that level, so we know that their quarterback will play very well."

K-State (1-0) will try to match the offensive firepower that Montana State will bring into the first meeting between the two schools by continuing to improve at the wide receiver position. The receivers hauled in three touchdowns last week against North Texas, and sophomore receiver Lamark Brown said he hopes all the receivers continue to

entertain fans.

"I think we surprised some people. I don't think that many people expected us to have that much of a difference in our receiving corps," Brown said. "We have a lot of playmakers lining up out there and we try to challenge each other every day to go out and make plays on the field."

But Montana State has upset a Big 12 team before. Defensive end Ian Campbell said he remembers two years ago when Colorado lost to Montana State at home on the same day K-State beat Illinois State, 24-23. He said he believes there is no reason to overlook them.

"I see a talented quarterback and a team that has pretty good athletes," Campbell said. "There's no reason any team should overlook anyone. On any given Saturday anyone can win, and for anyone to overlook somebody kind of defies the rules of the game."

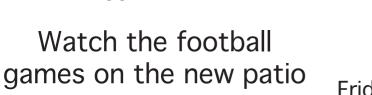












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that maybe you wouldn't have seen earlier. He has a lot of pride and he wants to do well."

A HAPPY PLACE FOR

HALL

He has finally found a place of stability.

"I've found a home in Manhattan," Hall said. "I love it here to tell you the truth."

Hall said it is the people

that have made him feel so comfortable in the Little Ap-

"I'm just happy where I am at right now," he said. "I like this defense. I like Kansas and I like K-State. I like the fans. The people here are

just generally good-hearted people. It just makes me want to play even harder."

He sat out the 2007 season at K-State due to NCAA transfer rules. There was nothing he could do to help his teammates as he wit-

nessed them struggle defensively down the stretch in

Hall has ridden the highs and the lows in life. Wildcat fans hope they see more of the highs on Saturdays from Hall. Prince expects they will.

"I think from a leadership standpoint and other
areas, we'll really see him
blossom," he said. "I know
that side of him and I am
just anxious for others to see



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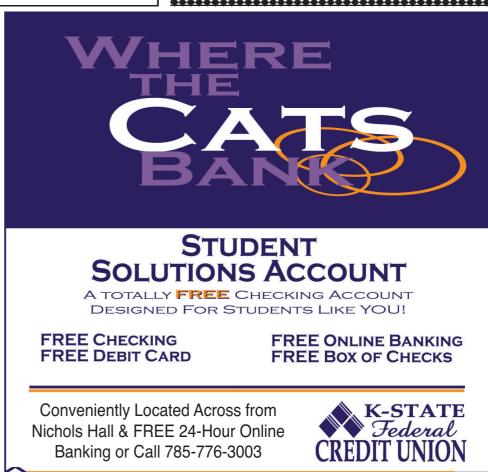
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